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(Print or Type R	Responses)										
1. Name and Address of Reporting Person <u>*</u> MORGAN JOHN K			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol ACUITY BRANDS INC [AYI]					5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction				(Chec	ck all applicable	e)		
			(Month/D	(Month/Day/Year) 04/05/2006				Director 10% Owner X Officer (give title Other (specify below) below)			
PEACHTRE 2400	EE STREET, N	ESUITE						/	ive Vice Presid	ent	
	(Street) 4. If Amendment, Da Filed(Month/Day/Year			-			 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person 				
ATLANTA,	GA 30309								More than One Re		
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Table	e I - Non-Do	erivative	Secur	ities Acc	quired, Disposed of	f, or Beneficial	ly Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if		on Date, if	3. 4. Securities Acquired Transaction(A) or Disposed of Code (D) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (A)			d of	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)		
				Code V	Amount	or (D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)			
Common Stock (1)	04/05/2006			М	5,000	А	\$ 13.8	89,281	D		
Common Stock (1)	04/05/2006			S	5,000	D	\$ 42	84,281 <u>(2)</u>	D		
Common Stock								5,034	Ι	by 401(k)	

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number on f Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities8(Instr. 3 and 4)S(1)(1)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option (1)	\$ 13.8	04/05/2006		М	5,000	(3)	12/02/2011	Common Stock	5,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address			Relationships		
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other	
MORGAN JOHN K C/O ACUITY BRANDS, INC. 1170 PEACHTREE STREET, NESUITE 2400 ATLANTA, GA 30309			Executive Vice President		
Signatures					
By: Jill A. Gilmer, under Power of Attorney For: Morgan	John K.		04/07/2006		

**Signature of Reporting Person

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 4(b)(v).
- ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- (1) The transaction(s) reported herein was(were) effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by the Reporting Person on February 9, 2006.
- (2) The total direct shares owned following the reported transaction includes 50,041 time-vesting restricted shares.

(3) This option vested in equal annual installments over a three year period and became fully vested on December 3, 2004.

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